

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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KLAUS MELGAARD ET AL

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REMOVABLE FILTERS AND WATER HEATING VESSELS INCORPORATING SUCH

Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231

## AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated MAY 24, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claim 12 without prejudice and add the following new Claim 14:

14. A filter for use in a water heating vessel for removing sedimentary material, including scale, from the water, wherein the filter comprises a first mesh material provided with a frame and a scale collector, separate from said first mesh material and coupled to the frame, said sale collector comprising a second mesh material different from said first mesh material and having a surface to which scale is attracted.

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